[Mr. K. George.]

had put in a service of 8 years, 7 months and 11 days under the British Government. No information is available regarding his pay while in the British service. The present Sanitary Commissioner, when he was appointed to that post, had put in a service of 18 years, 7 months and 27 days. He was drawing a pay of Rs. 230 per mensem at that time.

Vernacular Text Book Committee.

327. **MR. M. SIVATANU PILLAI** (*Tovala*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether any representation is given in the Text Book Committee for the selection of Tamil text-books? If so, who are the members to represent Tamil, and what are their qualifications in Tamil?

(*b*) Are they aware of the several representations made by Tamilian public meetings, expressing their dissatisfaction at the inadequate representation of Tamil in the Vernacular Text Book Committee?

(*c*) Do the Government propose to remove the defect either by adding more Tamilian members to the Vernacular Text Book Committee or by constituting a separate Text Book Committee for Tamil?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Yes.

(1) Mr. C. N. A. Ramiah Sastri, M. A. His second language for the M. A. degree examination in Malayalam was Tamil.

(2) Mr. U. Ramakrishna Kukilaya, B. A., L. T. He took his B. A. degree with Tamil as second language.

3) Mr. S. M. Sulaiman, B. A. He is conversant with Tamil.

(*b*) Yes, some of them.

(*c*) There is no defect.

Tamilian Members on the Vernacular Text Book Committee.

328. **MR. S. PIRAVIPERUMAL PILLAI** (*Commerce and Industry, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(1) the names of the members who represent the Tamil language on the new Vernacular Text Book Committee constituted in December 1925;

(2) how it is possible to constitute a sub-committee for Tamil when a necessity arises; and

(3) whether they have received representations on this matter from any public meeting held at Trivandrum or elsewhere in the State; and if so, the action taken on them?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (1), (2) and (3) The Member is referred to the answer to question No. 327. The representations are under the consideration of the Government.

Absence of Pupils from Examinations.

329. **MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI** (*Pattanamtitta*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether pupils of English Schools were absent on account of illness during the recent annual examinations, and if so, how many;

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(*b*) whether there were such absentees in the previous year; and

(*c*) whether the Government have inquired into the cause of such absence?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Government have no information.

(*b*) There are usually a few absentees owing to illness.

(*c*) The question does not arise in view of the answers to parts (*a*) and (*b*).

MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): പബ്ലിക്ക് എക്സാമിനേഷന് ഹാജരാകാത്ത വിദ്യാത്ഥികളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചാണൊ അല്ല സുഖക്കേടുനിമിത്തം ഹാജരാകാത്ത വിദ്യാത്ഥികളെ സംബന്ധിച്ചാണോ ഉത്തരം പറഞ്ഞിരിക്കുന്നത്?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): മെംബർ ചോദിച്ച ചോദ്യത്തിനാണ് മറുപടി. ചോദ്യത്തിൽ കാണുന്നത്—

" (*a*) whether pupils of English Schools were absent on account of illness during the recent annual examinations, and if so, how many" എന്നാണ്.

MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): ഇക്കഴിഞ്ഞ പരീക്ഷാകാലത്തു സുഖക്കേടുനിമിത്തം ഹാജരാകാതിരുന്ന വിദ്യാത്ഥികളുടെ സംഖ്യയും ഇതിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): അതിപ്പോൾ പറയാൻ നിവൃത്തിയില്ല.

MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): ഗവർണ്മെൻറ് അതിനെ സംബന്ധിച്ച് അന്വേഷിച്ച മറുപടിപറയാമോ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): അന്വേഷിക്കാവുന്നതാണ്. എന്നാൽ ഇതിനെപ്പറ്റി പൂർണ്ണമായ കണക്കുകൾ എടുക്കുന്നതു കുറെ പ്രയാസമാണ്.

MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): പരീക്ഷയ്ക്കു സുഖക്കേടുനിമിത്തം എത്ര കുട്ടികൾ ഹാജരാകാതിരുന്നു?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): ഏതുസ്കൂളിൽ?

MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*): സ്റ്റേറുടെക്കു.

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): അതിന് ഒരു ചോദ്യം എഴുതുകതന്നു നടത്തണം.

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MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : കുംഭം, മീനമാസ കാലങ്ങളിൽ പരീക്ഷവച്ചിരിക്കുന്നതുകൊണ്ടു വളരെ ബോഷമുണ്ടെന്നറി യാമോ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): ബോഷം ക ണ്ടേയ്ക്കാം.

Dispensary Building at Chengannur.

330. MR. KALLUR NARAYANA PILLAI (*Pattanamtitta*) : (*a*) Are the Government aware that the Dispensary at Chengannur is housed in a small building in an unhealthy and congested quarter near the local market?

(*b*) Have the Government any objection to locate the dispensary in the Sri Mulam Hall building which was being used for the English High School, Chengannur, since there is a shed put up by the Government as a continuation building?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Ag. Chief Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The question of removing the dispensary at Chengannur from the present building is under the consideration of the Administrative Board, Medical Services.

(*b*) The Report of the Board is awaited.

Jenmi-Kudiyan Bill.

331. MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received representations from the *Kudiyans* about the draft Bill to amend the Jenmi and Kudiyan Regulation?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have taken or propose to take any action on these representations?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The Government have received representations both from the *Kudiyans* and the *Jenmies* against the draft Jenmi and Kudiyan Bill.

(*b*) The representations are under consideration.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : May I know why the draft Bill prepared by the Jenmi Kudiyan Committee was not accepted by the Government?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Government do not *accept* any Bill at that stage.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : May I know why that draft Bill was not *adopted* by the Government?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Even that they do not do at that stage.

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikam*) : Is there any special reason for not accepting that draft Bill?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : A draft Bill is intended for consideration by the Legislative Council. Government do not adopt any draft Bill.

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